PROJECT NUMBER:

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PROJECT TITLE

Product Development, Affiliates and Licensees

PROJECT LEADER:

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PERIOD COVERED:

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## I. L&M PROJECT (Venezuela)

A. Objective: Develop an acceptable L&M product for the Venezuelan market.

B. Status: L&M prototypes (80mm) have been produced in Venezuela and submitted for C.I.'s in Richmond.

C. <u>Plans</u>: If C.I.'s are within specifications, submit samples to the Richmond Panel for final approval.

## II. PROJECT ANDES (Panama)

- A. Objective: Develop an acceptable L&M Menthol for Panama.
- B. Status: C.I.'s have been completed on 80mm FTB and samples submitted to Richmond Panel for subjective approval.
- C. Plans: If Richmond Panel approves subjectively. Panama will launch.

## III. MARLBORO IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (Brazil)

- A. Objective: Make blend changes to improve the subjective character of the Brazilian Marlboro family.
- B. Status: Brazil has produced three new prototypes (0% Oriental, 7.5% Oriental & 10% Oriental). Samples were submitted for C.I.'s on 7/13/91.
- C. <u>Plans</u>: When C.I.'s are completed, submit samples to Leaf and Richmond Panel for subjective evaluations.

## IV. L&M PROJECT (Mexico)

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- A. Objective: Develop an acceptable L&M product using USA produced casings/flavors.
- B. Status: C.I.'s are complete on three prototypes produced in Mexico.
- C. <u>Plans:</u> Discuss C.I. results and possible blend modifications with Richmond Leaf Department.